

Local Intelligence.

PERSONAL.—We are glad to give the subject of the Providence Journal, which says the Supreme Court of the United States has affirmed the judgment of the Court below, giving the plaintiff \$10,000 damages, with costs and interest, in the case of the Hon. Wm. P. Sheffield against the city of New York. It will be recalled that in 1853, Mr. Sheffield in passing along the street at the lower end of City Hall Park, New York, fell over a protruding stump, and was injured very seriously. The defense of the city was that the ground where the plaintiff was hurt was originally a portion of City Hall Park, and that it was thrown into the street without authority of law. The following synopsis of the opinion will explain the points of law involved:

"It was contended that the appropriation of this portion of the Park for use as a public street, was illegal, because not in accordance with the statute providing for the widening and improvement of streets. This statute was intended merely to secure to private land owners compensation for their property taken for public use and can have no application to the case of an appropriation of the Common Council of land owned by the city for purposes of streets. Nor is the argument that the Park is by contract and statute pledged for the redemption of the city debt of any avail. It will be time enough to consider this question when some creditor of the city raises it. The legal title and the present use were in the city when the land was converted into a street, and the city authorities cannot now claim exemption for their negligence in the manner in which the conversion was made under the plea that their act was in violation of their duty to public creditors. When the authorities have treated ground as a portion of a public street, and taken charge of it as such, the same as of other streets, and if a party shall be injured thereon, and sue for damages, he cannot be compelled to go into the inquiry as to the regularity of the opening of the street or the authority for the act. The charge concerning the evidence of negligence as presented in the case itself was substantially that the existence of an obstacle in the street is such evidence of negligence on the part of the city as requires of its authorities explanation in order to escape liability. It is true, as a general proposition, that the city could be made liable for injuries caused by an obstacle in the streets without notice of such defect; but in this case the question of notice did not arise as a question concerning which the jury required instruction. The authorities in closing down the tree, themselves left the stump in the condition it was in when the plaintiff fell over it, and therefore the question of notice as a fact could not be disputed."

The judgment will strike every one as being eminently just and righteous, and we are glad to be able to announce that it has been sustained.

Good Templars.

EDITOR DAILY NEWS:—A Lodge of the "Independent Order of Good Templars," has been organized in this city. Several staunch temperance individuals having come to the conclusion that something must be done, to save the young and rising generation, as well as those of more mature age, from the evil consequences of intemperance, it was soon found that the above order was best calculated to accomplish that purpose and to that end, associated themselves together in one fraternal combination against the ravages of this terrible vice.

Some of the advantages this Society claims, above others are as follows:

- 1st.—Our meetings are held weekly, for social, intellectual and moral improvement.
- 2d.—We take the Holy Scriptures for our guide in precept and practice; and as no one is permitted to cross the threshold of our Lodge Room before they acknowledge their belief in the existence of Almighty God, the Ruler and Governor of all things; our exercises and ceremonies are imbued with a devout spirit that tends to elevate the mind, and influence it to seek the Sonnetaries of Religion for a higher state of spiritual enjoyment.

3d.—Females are admitted on equal privileges with the males, thereby diffusing a more refining and restraining influence in our councils and deliberations.

4th.—Our Lodges are adapted to every locality, —City or Country.

5th.—In Lodge Room we seek to make at home those who have been intemperate, greeting them there as true Brothers.

6th.—Outside our Hall, by visitations and personal aid, we prove ourselves Good Samaritans.

The Lodge is now working under very favorable auspices. Having been organized but a short time it has made great additions to its numbers, and is still doing so. Next week, we understand there are to be some fifteen persons initiated. This speaks for itself.

The cause of Temperance should be kept alive for the sake of the youth of our community; and this organization is banded together to save them from being attracted to saloons and other places of demoralizing tendency.

To bring about this great moral reform it requires the united action and sympathy of the friends of the order in our community, and as we firmly believe we have a strong public sentiment in our favor we look forward to the millennium of the temperance cause.

The undersigned, members of the School Committee, take this method of calling the attention of the public to the proposed lecture on the "Wonders of the Microscope," by Mr. C. O. Thompson. The subject is an admirably adapted to interest the public, and the scientific position of Mr. Thompson as Professor elect of Chemistry in Dartmouth College, is sufficient guarantee of his ability to treat it. His preliminary lecture, in the High School building, was in all respects a success.

T. W. HIGGINSON,
SAMUEL POWELL,
T. MCNORFORD SMITH,
CHAS. E. HAMMILL, JR.

Newport, Feb. 16.

TEMPERANCE LECTURE.—Mr. E. W. Locke, of Maine, delivered a temperance lecture last evening in the Second Baptist Church, to a large and respectable audience.

The meeting was opened by prayer by Rev. Dr. Upham, after which Mr. Locke sang a song of his own composing—"Heaven my Home," and then proceeded with his lecture. The lecture occupied about one hour, and was listened to with increasing interest by the audience. It was above the average of temperance lectures, abounding with incident and anecdote illustrative of the great question under discussion. It closed with singing a couple of songs.

REAL ESTATE SALE BY HAZARD & APPROP.—Sarah E. Dennis, to Dr. James T. Buttick, the Miller Estate corner of Washington Square and Prison St. for \$10,000.

WHAT AILED HIM? We are credibly informed that a gentleman of this city, of unquestionable political faith, on returning home from the meeting at the State House on Wednesday evening, missed the street on which he resides and wandered to some distance from his home. After something of a pilgrimage, he awoke to a perception of his mistake and made an attempt to reach home by a cut across from one street to another, through neighbors' yards and gardens. Making his device, and following a way through muddy garden beds and tangled shrubbery, he arrived at a fence which he mistook for his premises from those of his neighbor. Laboriously climbing to the top of this, he vaulted to his own side where he met a gentle welcome, sinking to his knees in a soft pile of loam which had been deposited against the fence for future use.

Unaware of these aberrations, the wife of the gentleman while beginning to put matters to rights in the morning, as good housewives do, found her hall carpet badly soiled with mud, and the evidence that a good part of the muck heap had found its way into the house. The front door was also unfastened and had evidently been so all night, an unheard of occurrence. All attempts at an unravelling of these mysterious facts were vain until the man of the house made acknowledgment of his wanderings, bringing to light the above-recorded facts. What "elevated" him to such an extent? Politics, we suppose.

MR. EDITOR:—Will you please to inquire through your columns, how long the First Ward is to be imposed upon and insulted by a gang of boys who day and night congregate and disturb the whole of the neighborhood, especially about the corner of Bridge street, tearing fastenings from gates, making door-steps unfit for use, and using language indecent for ladies to hear as they pass.

MR. EDITOR:—Will any of your readers answer the following question: What is the best method of cleaning marble mantels which have become soiled by smoke or otherwise?

A READER.

New Publications.

EVERY SATURDAY, No. 60, for February 23, contains eleven articles, including chapters of the two serials, Black Sheep, by Edmund Yates; and Sicote of Sicotea, by Henry Kingsley. The other articles are King Arthur's Land, a well written article about Cornish Life; The Cretan Insurrection is a clear historical account of the island now invested with so much interest; Charles Edward and the Countess, is the first part of an interesting account of the Stewart family; Ozana, a scientific paper, about one of the most important ingredients of the atmosphere; Harem Life at Cairo, an inside view of Turkish life; The Tabard Inn, associated with early London history and English literature; Emile de Girardin, a biographical sketch of the celebrated French journalist and politician, and "An Irish Lyric."

TEX FIRE IN NEW YORK.—The recent great fire in New York falls heavily upon the Insurance Companies, as they are in fact the rent sufferers. We append the names of such Companies as our readers are most likely to be interested in, either as insurers or owners of stock:

Phoenix of New York,	\$25,000
North America,	10,000
Horn of New York,	40,000
Connecticut of Hartford,	5,000
Fulton of New York,	10,000
Atlas of Hartford,	27,500
Commerce of Albany,	9,000
Manhattan of New York,	5,000
Atlantic of Providence,	15,000
Market of New York,	7,500
Resolute of New York,	10,000

The whole amount of insurance is \$1,085,000. About one hundred companies are represented, every one of which will probably pay up according to contract.

Religious Intelligence.

The Augusta (Ga.) Press understands that the eminent divine, Rev. W. H. Harrison, is looked upon as the successor of the late lamented Right Rev. Stephen Elliott, Bishop of Georgia. The Rev. Mr. McAllister of Emmanuel Church, in this city, is called to succeed the Rev. Mr. Harrison in the rectorship of the Church of the Atonement, Augusta, Ga.

The Rev. D. Otis Kellogg, Jr., rector of the Church of the Savior, West Philadelphia, has received a call to Grace Church, Providence, R. I.

The National Baptist gives accounts of revivals all over the country. In Pennsylvania, Illinois, California, Missouri, Nebraska, Maine, Massachusetts and New Jersey, at many different places, the Spirit of the Lord has been converting men from the power of Satan unto God. Most of the reports state that the work is still going on.

The Methodist Episcopal church and congregation at Provincetown, Mass., Rev. G. W. Bridge, pastor, have built a new house of worship at a cost of \$32,500, making it their Centenary offering to the Lord. They have also contributed to the Sunday School Children's Fund \$46, 30, and for a new church at Schuette, \$52.

Ralph Waldo Emerson supplied the pulpit of the Unitarian church at Madison, Wis., one or two Sundays since, preaching a discourse upon immortality. He said: "The universal belief in a future life, the common desire of all men for a continued existence, was the highest evidence of the immortality of the soul. Jesus never explicitly taught the doctrine of a personal immortality. Plato and Cicero had the weakness to teach it."

In the autumn of 1864, a mission house was established in Gambier, Ohio, by Episcopalian, for the purpose of educating young men for foreign mission work. In the summer of 1866, it was moved to West Philadelphia, and it has now in training thirty young men. The house is crowded, and the managers appeal to churches of that denomination for \$40,000 to enlarge the house, and for other things connected with the enterprise. It is said this is the only establishment of the kind in this country.

On the 2d ult., a call was issued by a Committee of the Pittsburgh Presbytery of the Reformed Presbyterian Church to the ministers and elders of the different Presbyterian churches in western Pennsylvania and eastern Ohio to meet in convention in the city of Pittsburgh on the 15th of January, for prayer and conference, in behalf of union among the different Presbyterian bodies. A large number of clerical and lay delegates were present from the Old School Presbyterian, Reformed Presbyterian and United Presbyterian churches. The Presbyterian says: "It was not a large body. The members of that Convention were gathered from a very small area of territory, and the churches represented were comparatively few. But what makes the meeting significant is the fact that around the city of Pittsburgh is the densest Presbyterian population in the United States, and that all branches of the Presbyterian Church in that field are strong, except perhaps the New School branch. If they begin to talk of union in that part of our Presbyterian Zion, the question is one which will necessarily force itself in at every other point. It is significant, also, that the call for this Convention came from one of the bodies which until lately has been supposed to be most widely separated from other branches of the Presbyterian communion—the Reformed Presbyterian Church. Here, if anywhere, we would look for the tenacious, inflexible spirit of the old Covenanter, manifested in stern adherence to the traditions received from the fathers, and to customs and usages which had the flavor of antiquity about them."

"How is it I don't hear you speak bad words?" asked an old salt of a little sailor boy on board ship. "Oh, because I don't forget my Captain's orders," answered the boy brightly. "Captain's orders!" cried the old sailor, "I didn't know he gave any." "He did," said the boy, "and I keep them safe here," putting his hand on his heart. "Here they be," said the old sailor slowly and distinctly: "I say unto you swear not at all; neither by heaven for it is God's throne; nor by the earth for it is His foot-stool; neither by Jerusalem for it is the City of the Great King. Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, because thou canst not make one hair white or black. But let your communication be, yea, yea; nay, nay; for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil."

"Them's from the good old logbooks, I see. You're right, youngster," said the sailor. The parish of St. Stephen's Portland, whose edifice was destroyed by fire last year, has recently held a meeting to consider a proposal made by the parish of St. Luke's, for the sale of its edifice. The result has been, that the proposal has not with acceptance, and at an expense of \$15,000 for the edifice, and \$2,000 for the perpetual use of the organ and bells the former having been a gift, and not to be sold. The parish selling reserves the four and a half chancel chairs, and the several preachers and pew-holders also reserve their pews. The two congregations will worship together during the year, while the parish of St. Luke's are building a new church, which will be placed in charge of the Rev. Dr. Neely, Bishop elect.

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In the Senate, the bill to establish military government in the rebel States was taken up, and read. Debate continued until a recess was taken, after which Mr. Wilson offered a bill prescribing conditions of admission of the lately rebellious States, which was ordered to be printed. The military government bill was again taken up, and had not been disposed of at the close of our dispatch, the Senate being still in session. In the House, among the private bills disposed of was one to credit the United States Marshall of Maine with a sum of money destroyed during the Portland fire.

The bounty bill was taken up, and, under the operation of the previous question, was passed as reported by the committee. The Senate amendments to the bill relating to the United States courts in Rhode Island, and to the bill to relieve S. S. Farley, builder of the Idaho, were concurred in. The amendments of the Senate to the bankrupt bill were taken up, and after a debate a conference was asked. The tax bill was taken up at the evening session, but no action being present the House adjourned.

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PROBATE NOTICE.

Court of Probate, City of Newport, January 24th, 1867.

ROBERT S. BARKER, administrator, with the will annexed of **SAMUEL BARKER**, late of Newport deceased, presents his Administration account with said estate for allowance, and the same received, and is referred to Monday the 18th day of February, at 10 o'clock, a. m., at the Probate Office in the City Hall in Newport, for consideration; and it is ordered, that notice thereof be published for fourteen days, once a week in the Newport Daily News.

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